

## ARTISTIC MUSINGS

by Pam Coffey-Urban



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A percussion phenomenon named Bones hit the Jones Theater last week. The sound exploded through the theater, spilling out into the street. Opening with mellow tones and moving from instrument to instrument, each selection burst into a colorful tapestry of music.

Instruments like the didgeridoo, djembes, congas and steel drum infused the evening with music and rhythms from around the world. Using computer technology, one man played them all, seemingly at the same time.

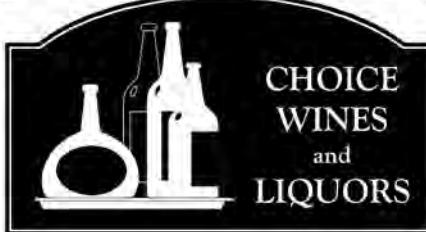
Drawing the audience in with light banter, Bones worked each piece with the expertise of a craftsman. Dancing around the stage, layering rhythms with melodies with vocals, each song became a delicate torte to be savored.

Much of Bones' music is personal reflection. Inspired by the story of Wounded Knee, "Papa Wheelie" is a vibrant piece reminiscing about the innocence and sim-

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## Fall Gallery Walk on Nov. 4 to benefit school art class

Enjoy the talents of local artists and help the Custer County School art department.

The annual Fall Gallery Art Walk will take place Saturday, Nov. 4, from noon to 5 p.m.

Art lovers will peruse the variety of paintings, sculpture, and carvings on display at various galleries in downtown Westcliffe.

A reception complete with appetizers and door prizes takes place at the former Jennings Market, beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Tickets to the gala cost \$10.

All proceeds raised will be used to purchase a printing press for the art department.

The Sangres Art Guild is sponsoring the event.

## Folks can learn of mountain dulcimers at Nov. 2 workshop in Westcliffe

The sound of the mountain dulcimer played by beginners will fill the Westcliffe Community United Methodist Church Thursday, Nov. 2.

Come join in the fun as Malacha and Dick Hall teach the free introductory class at 1:30 p.m. The Halls will provide the dulcimers, but attendees are asked to bring one if they have one.

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